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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Mr. William Caton, Acting Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20024

Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation by Grande Communications Networks,
Inc. in WT Docket No. 99-217

Dear Secretary Caton:

Pursuant to section 1.1206(b) (1) and (2) of the Commission's Rules, Grande Communications Networks, Inc. ("Grande"), by its attorneys, submits this notice of an *ex parte* presentation in the above-referenced docket on April 19, 2002. The following individuals met with Leon Jackler of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau:

Gabriel Garcia
Grande Communications Networks, Inc.

George M. Foote
Jacqueline R. Java
Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P.

The presentation introduced Grande as a Texas-based communications company providing residential and business customers with local and long distance telephone, high speed Internet access, and cable television services over a single network. Grande intends to provide these bundled services along the entire Central Texas I-35 corridor within five to seven years. Within Grande's service area, a significant proportion of its customers and potential customers reside in Multiple Tenant Environments ("MTEs"), and in most instances, Grande establishes an agency relationship with the MTE owner. Grande used the following attachments to illustrate its current business activities and plans for the future.

During the presentation, Grande emphasized the need for clarity with regard to the Commission's "demarcation point" rules, as Grande has encountered significant delay concerning these rules from certain incumbent local exchange carriers ("ILECs") in

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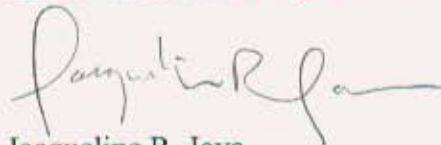
attempting to provide its services to MTE customers. Specifically, Grande asked the Commission to further specify the point to which the demarcation point is relocated upon the request of an MTE owner, and to recognize that the 45-day requirement found in 47 C.F.R. § 68.105(d)(3) is a "45-calendar day" requirement that begins when a request from an MTE owner to initiate negotiations to relocate the demarcation point has been submitted in writing.

Grande also discussed the importance of clarifying whether multiple demarcation points can be established at an MTE complex, and whether ownership of the inside wire can be maintained by an ILEC where control has been relinquished. Further, Grande requested that the Commission clarify that a maintenance fee can be assessed upon other providers where Grande has been chosen to provide maintenance services by the MTE owner.

Pursuant to the Commission's rules, an original and one copy of this notice of *ex parte* contact are being submitted for inclusion in the public record of the above-referenced proceeding. Also enclosed is an additional receipt copy that should be returned with our courier. Please contact the undersigned with any questions about this filing.

Very truly yours,

Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P.



Jacqueline R. Java

cc: Leon Jackler
Rosemary McEnery
Federal Communications Commission

Gabriel Garcia
Grande Communications Networks, Inc.
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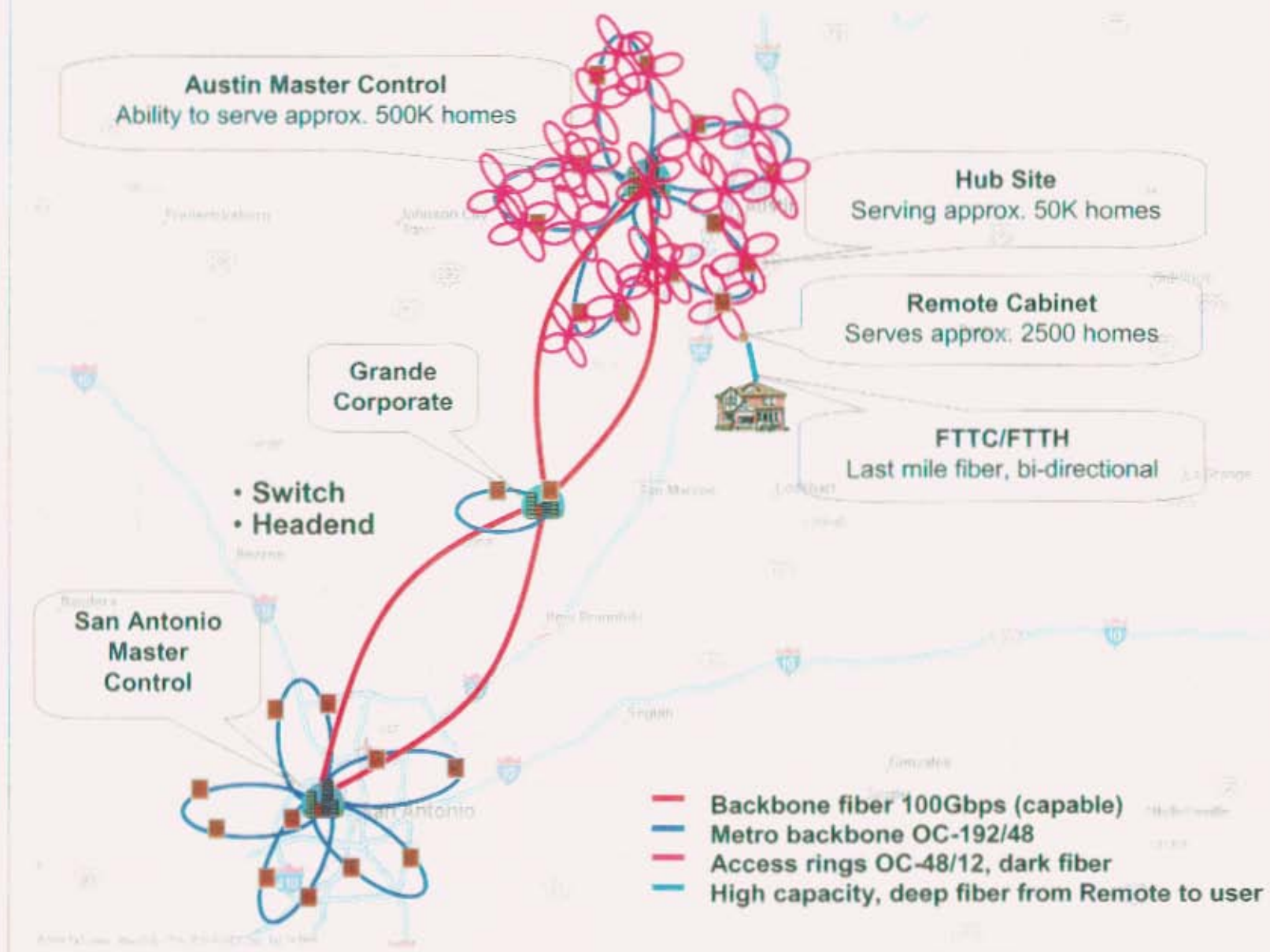
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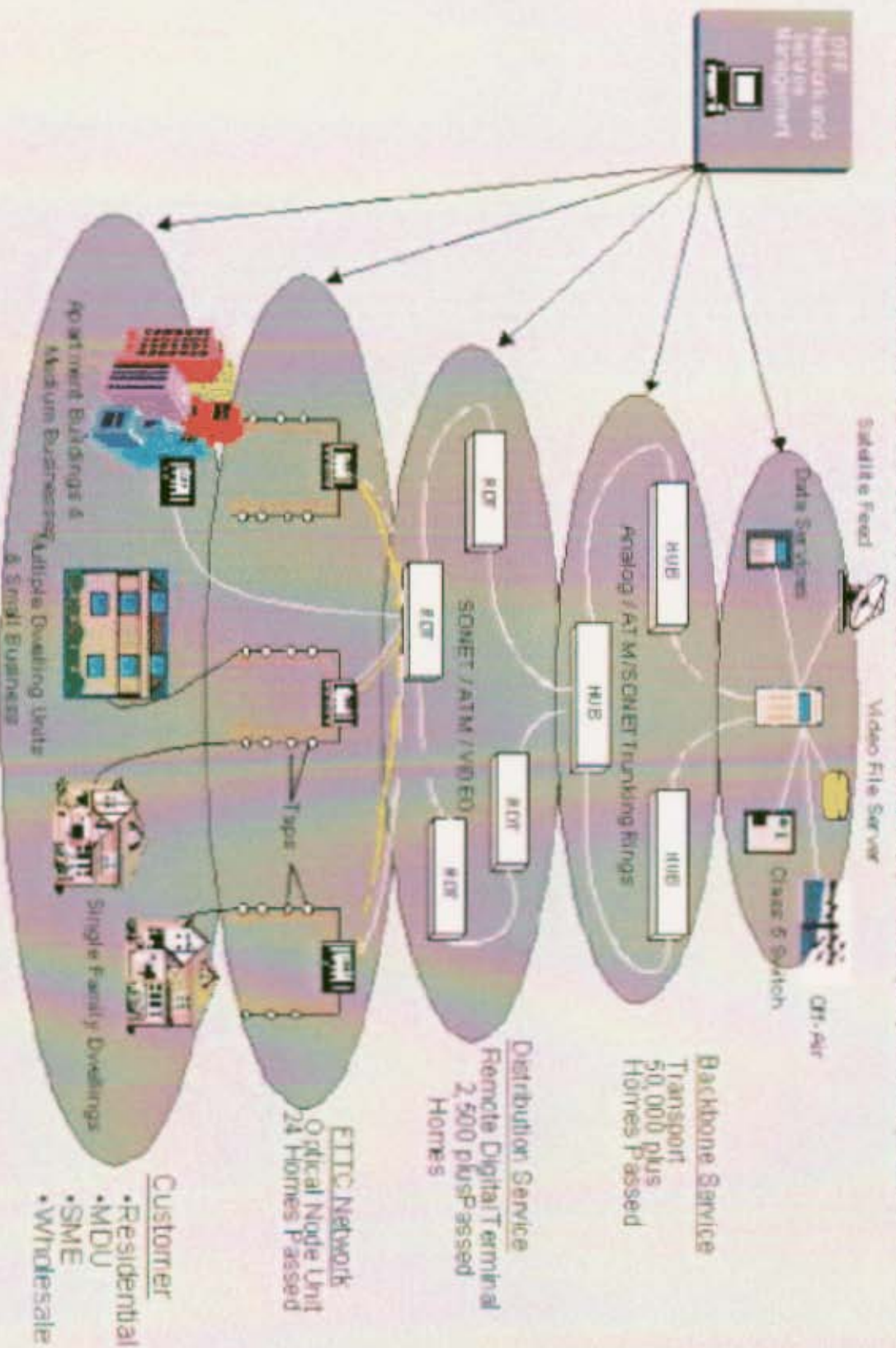
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Grande's Fiber to the Curb Network (Overview)



Grande's Fiber to the Curb Network



Metropolitan Area Network ("MAN")

